Mansfield Open Space Preservation Committee

APPROVED Minutes of September 27, 2011 special meeting

Members present: Jim Morrow (chair), Vicky Wetherell, Ken Feathers, Sue Westa, Quentin Kessel, Jennifer Kaufman (staff), Linda Painter (Director of Planning).

- 1. Meeting was called to order at 7:30.
- 2. Vicky was appointed acting secretary.
- 3. Minutes of the August 16, 2011 meeting were approved.

New Business

4. Listro Open Space dedication

The committee was updated by Linda about the Listro request to convert an existing conservation easement to a fee-in-lieu payment as part of their re-subdivision of two existing house lots to add a third lot. After discussion of the unique circumstances in this situation the committee endorsed this conversion. The committee noted the need for a review of Town policies on conservation easements.

5. HUD Community Challenge Planning Grant Application

Linda described this grant and what the Town is proposing in its application for assistance in updating regulations and expanding community participation in Town planning.

6. Revised Meeting Schedule

The committee will meet on the fourth Tuesday of the month temporarily.

7. Executive Session

The committee went into executive session at 8:15 and came out of executive session at 8:30. The committee's recommendations will be forwarded to the Town Council.

- 8. Meeting adjourned at 8:50.
- 9. Next meeting on October 25, 2011.